

Watershed Newsletter

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Plan Progress

The Otter Tail River One Watershed One Plan Partners are making steady progress and have completed the draft goals for the plan. The goals identify the desired change in the focus resource (lake or stream) and indicate how progress will be measured during implementation. Data and existing studies were used to make the goals measurable, for example, acres of soil health practices added to agricultural lands and pounds of phosphorus reduced in lakes.

Draft Goal	Issues Addressed
Phosphorus Reduction	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Nutrient loading Untreated stormwater Destruction of riparian habitat
Sediment Reduction	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wind & water erosion Destruction of riparian habitat
Increased Protection	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Protection of outstanding resources Fragmentation of forests and grasslands Destruction of riparian habitat
Groundwater Quality	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Groundwater quality Groundwater quantity
Soil Health	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Soil Health Nutrient loading
Aquatic Connectivity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Barriers to fish movement
Water Retention	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Altered Hydrology
Stream Stabilization	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Soil Health Nutrient loading
E.coli Reduction	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> High E.coli
AIS Prevention and Management	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Aquatic Invasive Species

Project Partners

- Becker SWCD
- Becker County
- East Otter Tail SWCD
- West Otter Tail SWCD
- Otter Tail County
- Pelican River Watershed District
- Cormorant Lakes Watershed District

Accomplishments

- Public Open Houses
- Public Survey
- Land & Water Resource Narrative
- Vision Statement
- Focus Issues
- Focus Resources
- Draft Goals

Next Steps

- Actions

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Plan Timeline

The planning committees are currently finalizing the numbers for the measurable goals and developing actions that can be implemented to meet the goals.

